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ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES OF SOVIET-TYPE WEAPONS USED BY THE HUNGARIAN ARMY  
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This document is a carbon copy of a 3-page report based on information obtained from [REDACTED]. The report summarizes the advantages and disadvantages of the following Soviet-type weapons used by the Hungarian army:

7.62-mm rifle. The rifle is too long; the bayonet is poorly placed; and the muzzle sight is unstable.

7.62-mm automatic pistol. Has relatively good aim, but is disliked by the soldiers because of its excessive weight.

7.62-mm machine pistol. Has a good aim on point target up to 100-120 meters.

7.62-mm automatic rifle. The smallest dust particle in the lock puts the weapon out of commission. The aim is good, but handling is poor.

7.62-mm machine gun. Uses a heavier charge than any other weapon of identical caliber.

82-mm and 120-mm trench mortars. The aim is good.

76.6-mm semi-automatic and 76.6-mm field cannon. The barrel is of fairly good quality, but heat action is excessive.

4.5-mm light cannon. This is a duplicate of the 76.6-mm field cannon, except in caliber.

The barrels of most Soviet-made weapons are of poor quality and rust easily. Most weapons received from the USSR are in a worn-out condition. The Hungarian-made weapons of Soviet types are made of much better material.

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